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OF THE

Selectmen, Clerk, Treasurer, Road Agents, School Board, and Other Officials

OF THE

TOWN OF GROTON

FOR

THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1940

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR
AGNES A. LANE

TOWN CLERK
SARAH DUNKERTON

SELECTMEN
ELWIN G. GOULD THOMAS NEWTON
S. E. LANE

ROAD AGENTS
PERLEY MATTHEWS NICHOLAS ADAMS

SNOW REMOVAL
ERNEST MATTHEWS

TREASURER
SARAH DUNKERTON

TAX COLLECTOR
ANNIE ESTY

LAND AGENTS
SELECTMEN

LIBRARIAN
AGNES A. LANE

POLICE
ERNEST ADAMS

CONSTABLE
HORACE PATTERSON

OVERSEER OF POOR
THOMAS NEWTON

HEALTH OFFICER

ELWIN G. GOULD

AUDITORS

FLORA MATTHEWS FRANK E. WOODWARD
MARY PATTERSON

SCHOOL BOARD

CYNTHIA WHITE DORIS DECKER
ANNIE ESTY

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK AND TREASURER

SARAH DUNKERTON

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

AGNES A. LANE KATIE BROWN
FRANK W. WOODWARD

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

FLORA MATTHEWS EDNA GOULD
HELEN EMERSON

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March, next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing, and three years.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for same.

3. To see if the town will vote to accept the budget as prepared and make appropriations for same.

4. To see if the town will vote to give a discount of 3% on property taxes paid on or before August 1st.

5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of or administer any real estate acquired by tax collector's deed.

6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

7. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for blister rust control and make appropriation for same.

8. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid construction and make appropriations for same.

9. To see if the town will vote to accept T. R. A. for Class V roads and make appropriations for same.

10. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for fire fighting equipment and make appropriation for same.

11. To see if the town will vote to have state auditors and make appropriations for same.

12. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for shutters for Town Hall and make appropriation for same.

13. To see if the town will vote to buy the place formerly occupied by Arthur Fuller and appropriate money for same.

14. To see if the town will vote to make a charge of 20c on all poll taxes not paid on or before Sept. 1.

15. To see if the town will vote to adopt the Australian Ballot System.

16. To see if the town will vote to dispose of the blown down tractor house near Gould's either at private sale or by auction.

17. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for street lighting and public buildings and make appropriations for same.

18. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for wiring public buildings for electricity and make appropriations for same.

19. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for record book for trust funds and make appropriation for same.

20. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money for blade and wing to be used with truck and make appropriation for same.

21. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of

money for sander for sanding roads in winter and make appropriation for same.

And to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 26th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty.

ELWIN G. GOULD,
THOMAS NEWTON,
S. E. LANE,
Selectmen of Groton.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

ELWIN G. GOULD,
THOMAS NEWTON,
S. E. LANE,
Selectmen of Groton.

BUDGET OF TOWN OF GROTON

Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for the year ending Jan. 31, 1941, compared with actual Revenues and Expenditures ending Jan. 31, 1940.

Sources of Revenue	Actual 1939	Estimated 1940
Interest and dividend tax	$ 18.54	$ 18.54
Savings bank tax	24.14	24.14
Bounties		18.40
E. G. Gould	100.00	
E. G. Gould, rents and doctor's bill	20.00	50.00
Thomas Newton, rents	20.00	50.00
Dog licenses	8.00	30.00
Interest on taxes	72.73	72.73
Auto permits	152.99	150.00
Poll taxes	149.00	150.00
Notes	2,000.00	
State of N. H., reimbursement town roads, flood	3,809.07	
S. E. Lane, S. A. O.	2,043.00	
S. E. Lane, flood, state checks	4,022.05	
Balance in treasury	2,525.93	3,103.38
	$ 14,965.45	$ 3,667.19
Amount raised by property tax	14,913.60	15,381.75
	$ 29,879.05	$ 19,048.94

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual 1939	Estimated 1940
General government		
Town officers' salaries	$ 1,010.20	$ 900.00
Town officers' expenses	615.80	400.00
Election and registration	7.20	50.00
Town hall	14.74	50.00
Protection of persons and property		
Bounties	18.20	18.20
Fire department	258.67	250.00
Health department—Vital statistics	1.00	5.00
Highways and bridges		
Town maintenance	2,798.39	2,500.00
General expense highway dept.	501.38	500.00
Real estate, Fuller property		1,000.00
Advanced to men on flood and S.A.O.	6,065.05	
Electric light, street and public bldgs.		200.00
Electric wiring, public bldgs.		150.00
Library	100.00	150.00
Town poor	332.31	100.00
Old age assistance	106.50	132.00
Unclassified	2,084.77	2,000.00
Interest on temporary loans	541.79	400.00
Anticipation of flood and taxes	5,000.00	
Interest, trust funds	12.00	6.00
State aid construction, town's share	796.40	588.00
Payment on principal of debt	1,000.00	1,000.00
County tax	1,823.06	1,823.06
Payments to school district	3,688.21	3,159.49
	$ 26,775.67	$ 15,381.75

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF GROTON, APRIL 1, 1939

Lands and buildings	$ 206,110.00
Electric plants	173,600.00
Horses, 28	3,200.00
Cows, 36	1,540.00
Neat, 5	150.00
Sheep, 9	50.00
Portable mills	400.00
Boats	400.00
Wood and lumber	4,850.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks	100.00
Stock in trade	200.00
Mills and machinery	1,500.00
	$ 392,100.00

Polls, 95 at $2.00	$ 190.00
Soldiers' exemptions	4,540.00
Rate per $100	3.70

We certify that the above is a correct transcript of the footings of each column of taxable property, the amount of taxes levied, and the rate of taxation in the town of Groton in the year 1939.

ELWIN G. GOULD,
THOMAS NEWTON,
S. E. LANE,
Selectmen of Groton.

APPROPRIATIONS

Town officers' salaries		$ 905.00
Town officers' expenses		400.00
Town hall		10.00
Police department		10.00
Fire department		216.60
Bounties		20.40
Land rental		100.00
Vital statistics		5.00
State aid construction		700.50
Town road aid, ⅛ of 1%		584.23
Town maintenance		2,500.00
General expenses of highway department		500.00
Libraries		100.00
Old age assistance		100.00
Town poor		100.00
Unclassified		2,000.00
Cemeteries		10.00
Interest		612.00
Payments on principal of debt		1,000.00
County tax		1,823.06
School tax		2,715.94
School special		150.00
		$ 14,562.73
Less estimated revenues and credits		
Interest and dividends tax	$ 24.11	
Savings bank tax	22.46	
Motor vehicle permits	150.00	
Abatement, state land tax	26.94	
		$ 223.51
		$ 14,339.22
Plus overlay		358.48
Net amount to be raised by taxation		$ 14,697.70

Net amount to be raised by taxation	$ 14,697.70
Less poll taxes	190.00
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which town tax is figured, tax rate $3.70	$ 14,507.70
Taxes to be committed to collector	
Property taxes	$ 14,507.70
Poll taxes	190.00
Committed to collector	$ 14,697.70

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, land and buildings	$ 1,200.00
Furniture and equipment	200.00
Libraries, land and building	1,500.00
Highway department, land and building	800.00
Highway equipment	2,500.00
Schools, land and buildings	2,200.00
Schools, equipment	600.00
Through tax collector's deeds, estimated value	10,693.61
	$ 19,693.61

TOWN OF GROTON BALANCE SHEET

Jan. 31, 1940

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer	$ 3,103.38
Due from state, bounties	14.60
Mortgages and notes owned by town	532.00
Property owned by town from tax deeds	10,693.61
Uncollected taxes, levy 1939	2,377.80
Uncollected taxes, levy 1938	37.25
Uncollected taxes, levy 1936	17.00
	$ 16,775.64

LIABILITIES

Outstanding temporary loans	$ 8,000.00
School tax	873.94
Trust funds	150.00
	$ 9,023.94
Excess of assets over liabilities, surplus	7,751.70
	$ 16,775.64

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Tax collected for auto permits from Feb. 21, 1939, to Jan. 13, 1940	$ 156.98
Dog tax collected	8.00
Cash on hand	.10
	$ 165.08
Paid treasurer	160.99
Cash on hand	$ 4.09

No fires reported for the year 1939.

SARAH DUNKERTON,
Town Clerk.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1937 uncollected tax		$ 12.00
1937 collected tax, 2 poll taxes	$ 4.00	
1937 abatements	8.00	
		$ 12.00
1938 uncollected tax	$ 3,329.79	
1938 added tax	12.00	
Interest	70.74	
		$ 3,412.53
1938 collected property tax	$ 1,132.09	
1938 collected poll tax	66.00	
Abatements	651.29	
Interest	70.74	
Bought by town	1,455.16	
Uncollected tax	37.25	
		$ 3,412.53
Amount of warrant, 1939	$ 14,679.70	
Added tax	46.40	
Interest	1.99	
		$ 14,728.09
1939 property tax collected	$ 11,832.23	
1939 poll tax collected	77.00	
Interest	1.99	
Uncollected tax	2,377.80	
Discount	277.48	
Abatements	161.59	
		$ 14,728.09

ANNIE M. ESTY,
Tax Collector.

1936 redemptions	$ 79.70	
1937 redemptions	269.55	
1938 redemptions	146.87	
		$ 496.12

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in treasury, Jan. 31, 1939	$ 2,525.93

RECEIPTS

Annie M. Esty, collector	$ 15,135.33
Pemigewasset National Bank, loan	2,000.00
State of New Hampshire, reimbursement on flood	3,809.07
Savings bank tax	18.54
Interest and dividend tax	24.14
Town clerk, auto tax	152.99
Town clerk, dog tax	8.00
Refund from E. G. Gould	100.00
Rent collected	35.00
Refund from Fred White on doctor's bill	5.00
Refund from laborers on flood and construction	6,065.05
	$ 29,879.05
Less selectmen's orders paid	26,775.67
Balance in treasury, Jan. 31, 1940	$ 3,103.38

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH DUNKERTON,
Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

FLORA MATTHEWS,
MARY G. PATTERSON,
FRANK E. WOODWARD,
Auditors.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

RECEIPTS

Amount committed to collector	$ 14,679.70
Added tax	46.40
Warrant	$ 14,726.10
Less uncollected discounts and abatements	2,816.87
Property tax, current year	$11,832.23
Poll tax, current year	77.00
Property and poll, previous year	2,667.25
Redemptions	486.12
Interest and dividend	18.54
Savings bank tax	24.14
Dog tax	8.00
Reimbursement from State Flood	3,809.07
State checks, flood	4,022.05
S. A. O.	2,043.00
Refund, E. G. Gould	100.00
Auto Permits	152.99
Interest, previous years	72.73
Loans, anticipation taxes	2,000.00
Rents, E. G. Gould and doctor's bill	20.00
Rents, Thomas Newton	20.00
Cash on hand	2,525.93
	$ 29,879.05

PAYMENTS

General government	
Town officers' salaries, 1938-39	$ 1,010.20
Town officers' expenses, 1938-39	615.80
Election and registration, 1938	7.20
Town hall	14.74
Fire department	258.67
Bounties	18.20
Vital statistics	1.00
Advanced to men on flood and S. A. O.	6,065.05
Town maintenance	2,798.39
General expenses of highway	501.38
Libraries	100.00
Town poor	438.81
Unclassified	2,084.77
Interest	541.79
State aid construction	796.40
Interest on trust funds	12.00
Temporary loans, anticipation of taxes	5,000.00
County tax	1,823.06
School tax	3,688.21
Payment on principal of debt	1,000.00
	$ 26.775.67

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Flora Matthews, auditor	$ 17.80
Mary Patterson, auditor	12.60
Thomas Newton, balance 1938, selectman	50.40
S. E. Lane, balance 1938, selectman	62.40
E. G. Gould, selectman	253.60
Thomas Newton, selectman and overseer poor	197.80
S. E. Lane, selectman	170.40
Annie Esty, collector	88.00
Sarah Dunkerton, clerk and treasurer	110.00
Edythe Newton, supervisor	14.40
Frank E. Woodward, supervisor	10.80
Horace Patterson, supervisor	9.00
Agnes A. Lane, moderator	13.00
	$ 1,010.20

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

E. E. Matthews, ballot clerk, 1938	$ 7.20

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSE

S. E. Lane, selectman balance, 1938	$ 108.00
Thomas Newton, selectman balance, 1938	14.50
Thomas Newton, selectman and overseer	194.02
S. E. Lane, selectman	200.00
E. G. Gould, selectman	72.53
Sarah Dunkerton	18.25
Annie Esty	5.50
Horace Patterson	3.00
	$ 615.80

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	$ 47.62
E. E. Matthews, land lease	100.00
Lester Avery Est., wire	5.00
Southwestern Petroleum Co., grease	120.62
P. I. Perkins Co., tractor repairs	342.98
E. G. Gould, bounties	9.60
Thomas Newton, bounties	4.00
S. E. Lane, bounties	4.60
E. G. Gould, deputy fire warden	29.05
S. E. Lane, warden	100.00
Thomas Newton, deputy warden	30.00
State of New Hampshire	47.62
Bristol Fire Department	52.00
Sarah Dunkerton, vital statistics	1.00
Hazen K. Sturtevant, legal	65.75
Ayer Insurance Co., insurance	16.20
N. H. Assessors Association	2.00
Charles E. Dixon, probate notice	.60
Musgrove Printing House, reports, etc.	76.72
John C. Ray, bonds	55.00
Files and O. Keefe	29.50
Macks Garage, auto hire and repairs	35.75
Hanley's Garage, repairs	2.10
Flora Matthews, library treasurer	100.00
Cavis Bros., glass	4.74
Fred White, janitor	10.00
A. & P. Stores, Plymouth	38.24
A. & P. Stores, Bristol	7.13
Flora Remick, for town poor	15.57
Olnestead, doctor's bill	100.00
John Taylor, cement	1.80
Plymouth Memorial Hospital	105.55
Department of Public Welfare	106.50
John Taylor, for town poor	4.05
Hitchcock Clinic	60.00

John Cordon, for town poor	$ 1.77
F. J. Shores, register	12.58
Sarah Dunkerton, auto guide book	4.35
S. E. Lane, general expense highway department	40.15
Refund Conn. River Power Co.	39.48
Sarah Dunkerton, auto fees, etc.	33.46
Annie Esty, taxes bought by town	1,455.16
Annie Esty, registration and fees advertising	133.65
Agnes A. Lane, interest	80.00
Agnes A. Lane, interest trust funds	12.00
Pemigewasset National Bank, interest	447.99
Pemigewasset National Bank, payment on note	6,000.00
County Treasurer, county tax	1,823.06
School district	3,688.21
State Treasurer, highway dept. S. A. O.	700.94
	$ 16,096.09

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

South End—Supervision of Perley Matthews

Perley Matthews, truck $278.80, freight .92	$ 279.72
Perley Matthews, team $7.20, labor $2.40	9.60
Perley Matthews, forks	6.00
Floyd Colby, labor $126.80, gravel $3.60	130.40
Perley Woodward, labor	1.60
Ernest Matthews, labor	25.20
Harvey Crawford, team $30.40, labor $5.80	36.20
George Hikel, labor	65.60
Eliza Haines, sand	5.25
Ralph Miles, paint, etc.	4.00
Geo. McTevier, labor	108.40
Flora Remick, grease	.25
Herbert Remick, labor	8.60
Thomas Newton, team	4.00
Theron Hurd, labor	.40
Clarence Remick, labor	12.40
O. G. Matthews, labor	21.20
Kenneth Bickford, labor	24.80
Edgar Albert, labor	24.80
Maurice Decker, labor	19.20
A. M. Rand Co., tools	11.71
Walter Merrill, dynamite $5.80, sand $1.65	7.45
Sarah Dunkerton, gravel	1.80
Brook Special	36.00
Order not made out for labor	16.00
Order on E. E. Matthews	9.40
	$ 869.98

North End—Supervision of Nicholas Adams

Nicholas Adams, labor	$ 57.00
Nicholas Adams, team	7.20
Nicholas Adams, truck	197.00
Fred White, labor	30.80
Phil White, labor	.80
Charlie White, labor	56.40
W. J. Allen, labor	7.60
Ed Houle, labor	75.88
Fred Vinton, labor	55.00
Ellie Stevens, team	49.40
Carl Bowles, team	9.60
Carl Bowles, gravel	4.80
Horace Patterson, labor	6.40
Walter Bowles, labor	25.60
Thomas Newton, truck	8.00
Thomas Newton, team	14.40
Kenneth Bickford, labor	2.00
Mike Parris, gravel	5.10
Hugo Futterer, labor	19.60
Ed Dunkerton, truck	9.60
Floyd Colby, truck	9.60
Edgar Albert, labor	3.20
F. E. Woodward, labor	3.20
Maurice Decker, labor	3.20
George Ennis, labor	3.20
Sarah Dunkerton, gravel	11.25
Laurence Bowles, labor	34.40
Robert Kinne, truck	4.00
S. E. Lane, labor	3.20
E. G. Gould, labor and cement	75.90
	$ 793.33

SNOW REMOVAL **Supervision of Ernest E. Matthews**

E. E. Matthews, labor	$ 198.40
Ed Dunkerton, labor	93.90
Floyd Colby, labor	67.25
F. E. Matthews, labor	3.20
F. E. Woodward, labor	15.75
P. R. Woodward, labor	31.45
C. G. Matthews, truck	64.00
C. G. Matthews, labor	26.15
P. D. Matthews, truck	43.00
Ed Dunkerton, truck	2.00
Ed Dunkerton, car	18.00
Jones Auto Co., welding	22.00
F. B. Remick, gas and telephone	60.17
Ernest Robie, gas	6.65
E. E. Matthews, repairs	.95
Macks Garage, gas	2.93
John Cordon, gas	27.35
W. J. Allen, labor	11.40
Herbert Remick, labor	3.20
George Ennis, labor	3.20
S. E. Lane, truck	6.80
Ernest Tucker, repairs	4.00
P. D. Hatthews, car	3.00
Walter Merrill, sand	8.25
Thomas Newton, labor	3.00
O. G. Matthews, labor	2.00
Horace Patterson, labor	2.60
P. R. Woodward, car	1.00
Ed Houle, labor, etc.	9.40
Fred White, labor	3.60
Phil White, labor	4.40
McKees Market, gas	5.50
Cavis Bros., glass	.37
C. Hutchins, labor and car	5.40
Ed Simons, labor	8.00

H. J. Follansbee, salt	$ 7.15
Nicholas Adams, labor	2.80
I. Burnham, labor	7.00
C. White, labor	2.80
C. Remick, labor	3.60
Harold Walker	12.00
	$ 803.62

MISCELLANEOUS ROAD BILLS

Cement	$ 1.80
Files & O. Keefe	14.50
Pond Road	30.00
P. D. Matthews	100.00
P. I. Perkins, tractor repairs	23.22
	$ 169.52

AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned, having examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Road Agents, Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

FLORA MATTHEWS,
MARY G. PATTERSON,
FRANK E. WOODWARD,
Auditors.

TRUST FUNDS

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE TAX COMMISSION, UNIFORM MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTS

Report of Trust Funds of Town of Groton, for Fiscal Year Ending Jan. 31, 1940

DATE OF CREATION	TRUST FUNDS—PURPOSE OF CREATION All trust funds should be reported separately giving name of fund and donor	HOW INVESTED State character and rate of return for each investment. State also if funds were "borrowed or used for city or town purposes," and indicate whether notes have been used as required by Chapter 42, Sect. 22, Public Laws	AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL	Rate of Int.	Bal. of Income on hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand at End of Year
	George W. Hall Fund, George W. Hall—Care of "Hall" lot in Union cemetery.....	Borrowed by town of Groton—with their note to cover same.....	$100 00	4	$6 83	*$8 00	$7 60	$7 23
	Cyrus Blood Fund, Cyrus Blood — Care of "Cyrus Blood" lot in Rolf Hill cemetery....	Borrowed by town of Groton—with their note to cover same.....	50 00	4	3 41	*4 00	5 80	1 61
		Balance of income on hand at end of year Deposited in Plymouth Guarantee Savings Bank.....						
			$150 00		$10 24	$12 00	$13 40	$8 84

*Interest, 1938-39.

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Jan 31, 1940. AGNES A. LANE, FRANK E. WOODWARD, Trustees.

ANNUAL REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

PAYMENTS

1939			
Apr.	14	Flora Matthews, supplies	$ 1.49
	15	Floyd Colby, labor on floor	1.00
	17	George McLiver, labor on floor	1.40
May	16	Sears Roebuck Co., binding	1.70
		Lena Matthews, postage	.65
	29	George McLiver, labor	1.00
June	30	Frank E. Matthews, Jr., shoveling path	2.00
July	14	Agnes Lane, magazines	10.00
		Popular Mechanic magazine	2.50
Aug.	18	Flora Matthews, 2 trips to Bristol	2.00
Sept.	15	Floyd Colby, labor	1.60
	30	Edward Simons, repairing	2.00
Oct.	2	Farm Bureau, insurance	7.22
	11	Perley Matthews, kindling	3.00
Nov.	14	Perley Matthews, 2 cords wood	10.00
	16	Everett Merrill, stove pipe	1.35
Dec.	18	A. M. Rand, supplies	1.00
1940			
Jan	5	Agnes Lane, books	1.50
	31	Agnes Lane, salary	50.00
		Bristol Bank 2 check books	2.00
		Flora Matthews, trip to Bristol and postage	1.24
			$ 104.65

RECEIPTS

1939			
Feb. 1	Cash on hand		$ 7.57
Apr. 19	Selectmen		10.00
July 6	Selectmen		50.00
1940			
Jan 31	Selectmen		40.00
			$ 107.57
Total receipts		$ 107.57	
Total payments		104.65	
	Cash on hand		$ 2.92

RECEIPTS OF LIBRARIAN

1939			
Feb. 1	In hands of librarian		$ 0.03
	Received for fines		1.90
			$ 1.93
Payments:			
	White ink	$ 0.20	
	Kerosene	.29	
	Thumb tacks	.10	
			$ 0.59
1940			
Feb. 1	In hands of librarian		$ 1.34

FLORA MATTHEWS,
Treasurer.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

RESOURCES

Books owned Feb. 1, 1939	2,109
Books added by gifts	26
Books bought by town	6
Books owned Jan. 31, 1940	2,141
Books borrowed from Public Library Commission	200
Magazines received by subscription	6
Magazines currently contributed	6
State reports, etc.	4

SERVICE

Volumes of non-fiction lent	51
Volumes of adult fiction lent	677
Volumes of juvenile fiction lent	949
Juvenile magazines	99
Adult magazines	294
Years total circulation	2,070
New borrowers	11
Regular borrowers	66
Patrons of North Groton Station	14

VITAL STATISTICS

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1939

BIRTHS

In Groton, N. H., March 7, 1939, a son, Charles Richard, to Frank E. and Lena M. (Hobart) Matthews of Groton.

In Groton, N. H., July 15, 1939, a daughter, Josephine Ann, to Fred J. and Cynthia (Hurd) White of Groton.

In Groton, N. H., Sept. 15, 1939, a daughter, Marjorie Ann, to Harold C. and Lora B. (Remick) Tibbits of Canaan, N. H.

In Franklin, N. H., Oct. 18, 1939, a daughter, Ruby Mae, to Frankie E. and Doris C. (Flanders) Butterfield of Groton.

MARRIAGES

In Bridgewater, N. H., by Rev. Arthur Richards, Perley Russell Woodward of Groton, N. H., son of Frank E. and Grace Dustin Woodward, to Irma Geraldine Bucklin, daughter of Delmore and Mildred Wheet Bucklin of Bridgewater, N. H.

In Hebron, N. H., by Rev. R. Barclay Simmons, Clifton E. Hutchins of Groton, N. H., son of Burt and Ethel Akerman Hutchins of Alexandria, N. H., to Cilea Lenora Kelley of Groton, daughter of Harry L. and Florence Ballou Huckins of New Hampton, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SARAH DUNKERTON,
Town Clerk.

ANNUAL REPORT OF GROTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL DIRECTORY

District Officers

Mrs. Agnes A. Lane	Moderator
Mrs. Sarah A. Dunkerton	Clerk
Mrs. Sarah A. Dunkerton	Treasurer
Mrs. Mary Patterson	Auditor
Mrs. Flora Matthews	Auditor
Mr. Frank Woodward	Auditor

School Board

Mrs. Cynthia White	Term expires 1940
Mrs. Doris Decker	Term expires 1941
Mrs. Annie Esty	Term expires 1942

Teachers

Mrs. Zelma Watts	Groton
Mrs. Myrtle Craig	North Groton

Superintendent of Schools

Earl P. Freese

School Nurse

Mrs. Anna Lovett, R. N.

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF

School Treasurer and School Board

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939

Treasurer's Report

Summary:

Cash on hand June 30, 1938	$ 20.72
From selectmen, appropriation current year	3,100.00
From state treasurer, state aid	440.30
From all other sources, Orange tuition	13.00
Total amount available for fiscal year	$ 3,574.02
Less school board orders paid	3,429.40
Balance on hand June 30, 1939	$ 144.62

SARAH DUNKERTON,
District Treasurer.

July 13, 1939.

Auditors' Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Groton, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939, and find them correct in all respects.

FLORA MATTHEWS,
FRANK E. WOODWARD,
Auditors.

July 13, 1939.

School Board's Report

Year ending June 30, 1939

Receipts:	
From state treasurer, state aid	$ 440.30
From selectmen, by taxation	3,100.00
From tuitions, elementary school	13.00
Total receipts from all sources	$ 3,553.30
Cash on hand, July 1, 1938	20.72
Grand total	$ 3,574.02

Auditors' Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Groton of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

FLORA MATTHEWS,
FRANK E. WOODWARD,
Auditors.

July 13, 1939.

Detailed Statement of Payments

1938-39

Salaries of district officers		
Annie Esty, school board	$ 40.00	
Doris Decker, school board	20.00	
Cynthia White, school board	20.00	
Sarah Dunkerton, clerk and treasurer	20.00	
Mary G. Patterson, auditor	1.60	
		$ 101.60

Superintendent's salary		
Bessie Gale, treasurer		$ 103.27
Truant officer and school census		
Annie Esty, salary	$ 8.50	
Musgrove Printing House, census cards	1.00	
		$ 9.50
Expenses of administration		
Annie Esty, postage and institute expense	$ 9.72	
Cynthia White, institute expense	6.70	
Bessie Gale, union expense	6.00	
John C. Ray, treasurer's bond	5.00	
Myrtle Craig, money paid out	2.52	
Bristol bank, service charge	2.12	
Sarah Dunkerton, postage	2.00	
Mary G. Patterson, transportation	1.50	
		$ 35.56
Teachers' salaries		
Zelma Watts	$ 900.00	
Myrtle Craig	900.00	
		$ 1,800.00
Textbooks		
Ginn & Co.	$ 16.42	
Laidlaw Bros.	7.45	
Scott Foresman & Co.	7.23	
Macmillan Co.	5.28	
American Education Press	4.05	
L. W. Singer Co.	3.80	
Iroquois Publishing Co.	3.06	
Row Peterson & Co.	2.80	
		$ 50.09

Scholars' supplies		
Ed. E. Babb & Co.	$ 17.40	
J. L. Hammett Co.	14.44	
Chas. E. Merrill Co.	6.39	
Row Peterson & Co.	6.00	
American Education	3.60	
Philip H. James	2.40	
Ginn & Co.	2.32	
Popular Science	2.00	
Musgrove Printing House	1.50	
Holden Patent Book Cover Co.	.63	
Macmillan Co.	.59	
		$ 57.27
Other expenses of instruction		
D. S. Brown, graduation expenses	$ 4.82	
J. L. Hammett Co., graduation expenses	3.25	
Ed. E. Babb & Co., supplies	1.87	
Noble & Noble, supplies	1.01	
Ginn & Co., supplies	.75	
R. E. Lane, honor rolls	.62	
		$ 12.32
Janitor service		
Zelma Watts	$ 36.00	
Myrtle Craig	36.00	
		$ 72.00
Fuel		
Fred White	$ 30.50	
Thomas Newton	1.00	
		$ 31.50
Water, light, and janitor supplies		
White River Paper Co., toilet supplies	$ 14.84	
J. L. Hammett Co., chemicals	9.00	

Ralph A. Miles, broom	$ 1.00	
Annie Esty, money paid out	.80	
		$ 25.64
Minor repairs and expenses		
Fred White, labor	$ 9.60	
Cynthia White, cleaning	7.65	
T. T. Goodwin, grate	6.00	
Thomas Newton, labor	2.90	
Doris Decker, cleaning	2.00	
Harold Proulx, repairing clock	1.50	
Frank B. Wells Co., lumber	1.27	
Maurice Decker, labor	.80	
Jones Auto Co., welding	.50	
Earl P. Freese, money paid out	.50	
Annie Esty, money paid out	.25	
		$ 32.97
Medical inspection		
Anna Lovett, R. N., salary		$ 73.62
Transportation		
Thomas Newton	$ 335.25	
Martha Fuller	250.50	
		$ 585.75
Tuition—High school		
Plymouth School District		$ 62.89
Tuition—Elementary school		
Dorchester School District	$ 90.00	
Rumney School District	34.00	
		$ 124.00
Per capita tax		
F. Gordon Kimball, state treasurer		$ 100.00
Repairs—Special appropriation		
Thomas Newton, labor	$ 57.35	
Cavis Bros. Co., paint	28.77	

Fred White, labor	$ 21.20	
Maurice Decker, labor	19.20	
Cynthia White	7.60	
Ralph A. Miles	7.30	
		$ 141.42
Bills previous year		
Perley Matthews, balance on fuel		$ 10.00
Grand total		$ 3,429.40

Balance Sheet

Assets	
Balance on hand June 30, 1939	$ 144.62
Due from selectmen, 1938 appropriation	288.21
Due from Alexandria, tuition	2.80
	$ 435.63
Liabilities	None

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Public Laws 1926, chapter 68:22, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

ANNIE E. ESTY,
CYNTHIA WHITE,
DORIS L. DECKER,
School Board.

July 1, 1939.

GENERAL STATISTICS
1939-40

Enrollment by Grades

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Pupils	5	4	7	5	4	9	1	5	40

Promotion Table

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Promoted	4	3	6	3	4	8	1	5	34
Retarded	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Sept. ages	6–5	8–0	9–4	10–2	10–9	11–11	13–2	14–9	

Pupils by Ages

Between 5 and 8—8; between 8 and 14—28; between 14 and 16—4; Total 40.

District Totals

Av. Attend.	Av. Abs.	Av. Memb.	Per cent Attend.
36.08	2.65	28.73	92.89

Not absent nor tardy—7; Cases tardiness—65; non-resident pupils—2; Transported district expense—5; Tuitions paid elsewhere: Elementary—3; high schools—0; Schoolhouses used—2; Teachers holding certificates—2; School nurses—1; School board meetings—10; Visits by board members—10; by superintendent—22; by citizens—143.

Attendance Report

Sept. 5, 1939—Jan. 26, 1940

School	Sessions	Attendance	Tardy	Enrollment	Supt's Visits	Nurse's Visits
North Groton	182	96.6%	12	14	6	4
Groton	184	92.5%	38	20	10	11
Total	183	94.5%	50	34	16	15

Enrollment—Jan. 27, 1940

School	Grades 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
North Groton	2	2	0	5	0	0	5	0	14
Groton	4	1	3	1	3	3	4	1	20
Totals	6	3	3	6	3	3	9	1	34

Tuitions Paid—As of Oct. 11, 1939

Plymouth High School—Rate $65.00
Helen LaTulipe — grade 9

Meredith High School—Rate $73.60
Marjorie Parrish — grade 9

Total high school paid, estimate — $ 138.60

Elementary tuition
Dorchester School District—Rate $45.00
Alice M. Stevens — grade 9

Payments 1938-39, Budget 1939-40, and Proposed Budget 1940-41

	Payments 1938–39	Budget 1939–40	Budget 1940–41
Salaries district officers	$ 101.60	$ 110.00	$ 110.00
Superintendent's salary	103.27	103.24	103.24
Truant officer and census	9.50	12.00	12.00
Expenses of administration	35.56	45.00	50.00
Teachers' salaries	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
Text books	50.09	50.00	50.00
Scholars' supplies	57.27	60.00	60.00
Flags	.....	3.25	3.25
Other expenses of instruction	12.32	12.00	15.00
Janitor service	72.00	72.00	72.00
Fuel	31.50	85.00	85.00
Water, light, and janitor supplies	25.64	30.00	30.00
Repairs and expenses	32.97	75.00	125.00
Health supervision	73.62	78.00	78.00
Transportation	585.75	360.00	360.00
Tuition, high school	62.89	138.60	215.00
Tuition, elementary school	124.00	45.00	45.00
Per capita tax	100.00	96.00	96.00
Special appropriation, painting	141.42	.....	.....
Alterations	.....	150.00	.....
Bills previous year	10.00	45.50	.....
Total	$ 3,429.40	$ 3,370.59	$ 3,309.49

School Board's Estimate for 1940-41

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1940.

Detailed statement of expenditures:

	Elementary Schools	
Support of schools		
Teachers' salaries	$ 1,800.00	
Text books	50.00	
Scholars' supplies	60.00	
Flags and appurtenances	3.25	
**Other expenses of instruction	15.00	
Janitor service	72.00	
Fuel	85.00	
Water, light, janitors' supplies	30.00	
Minor repairs and expenses	125.00	
Health supervision, medical inspection	78.00	
Transportation of pupils	360.00	
Payment of elementary tuitions	45.00	
		$ 2,723.25
Other statutory requirements		
Salaries of district officers, fixed by district	$ 110.00	
Truant officer and school census, fixed by district	12.00	
Payment of tuition in high schools and academies, estimated by board	215.00	
Superintendent's excess salary, fixed by supervisory union	103.24	
Per capita tax, report of state treasurer	96.00	
Other obligations	50.00	
		$ 586.24
Total amount required to meet school board's budget		$ 3,309.49

Estimated income of district:		
Balance June 30, 1940, estimate	$ 150.00	
State aid, December, 1940 allotment	None	
Deduct total estimated income not raised by taxation		$ 150.00
† Assessment required to balance school board's budget		$ 3,159.49

CYNTHIA WHITE,
DORIS DECKER,
ANNIE ESTY,
School Board.

Groton, N. H., Jan. 23, 1940.

** Includes all expenses of educating handicapped children.
† $5 per $1,000 of equalized valuation must be raised for elementary schools to qualify for state aid. The net assessment must contain this amount in addition to funds raised for high school maintenance and other statutory requirements.